

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment is provided to remove issues for appeal and to present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal, rather than to avoid prior art.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above identified application. As of the Advisory Action mailed on February 6, 2006, Claims 1-30 were pending. Claims 1-30 were rejected. Claim 28 is amended by rewriting it into independent form. Claims 1-13 are canceled.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner enter the present amendment for consideration of claims 14-16, 17-23, 24-27 and 28-30 on appeal.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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